

Remarks

Claims 1-12 are pending.

Claims 1-5 and 8-12 stand rejected.

Claims 6-7 are objected to.

Claims 1 and 3 have been cancelled.

Claims 2 and 4-12 have been amended.

Claims 13-21 have been added.

Claims 2 and 4-21 are submitted herein for review.

No new matter has been added.

In paragraph 1 of the Office Action, the Examiner has objected to the specification because the Summary on page 5 of the specification only describes conventional devices. Applicants have amended the specification to include a brief statement of summary in this section. Applicants have limited this statement, which is in part based on claim 6 as presented herein and respectfully submit that this addition to the Summary section does not constitute new matter.

In paragraph 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner has issued a few spelling error objections to claims 6, 8 and 11. Applicants have corrected these issues accordingly.

In paragraph 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner has objected to claims 6 and 7 as being dependent on a rejected base claim, but are otherwise allowable. In paragraphs 4, the remainder of the claims 1-5 and 8-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by the previously cited Bentley et al.

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In response, Applicants have amended the subject matter of claims 1, 3 and 4 into claim 6 and respectfully submit that this claim is now in allowable condition. Dependent claims 2 and 5 and 8-12 have been amended to be dependent therefrom. Claim 13 has been added as a dependent claim from claim 6 based on the original subject matter of claim 7.

Separately, the subject matter of claims 1 and 3 have been amended into claim 7 and respectfully submit that this claim is now in allowable condition. Dependent claim 4 has been amended to be dependent therefrom. Claims 14-16 have been added as dependent claims from claim 7 based on the subject matter from claims 2, 5 and 6 respectively. Claims 17-21 have been added as dependent claims to claim 7 based on the subject matter of claims 8-12.

In view of the forgoing, Applicants respectfully submits that pending claims 2 and 4-21 are in condition for allowance, the earliest possible notice of which is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner feels that an interview would facilitate the prosecution of this Application she is invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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